



This Week on the Sloop

April 28- May 5 2016

The port side of the hull has one more plank to go!

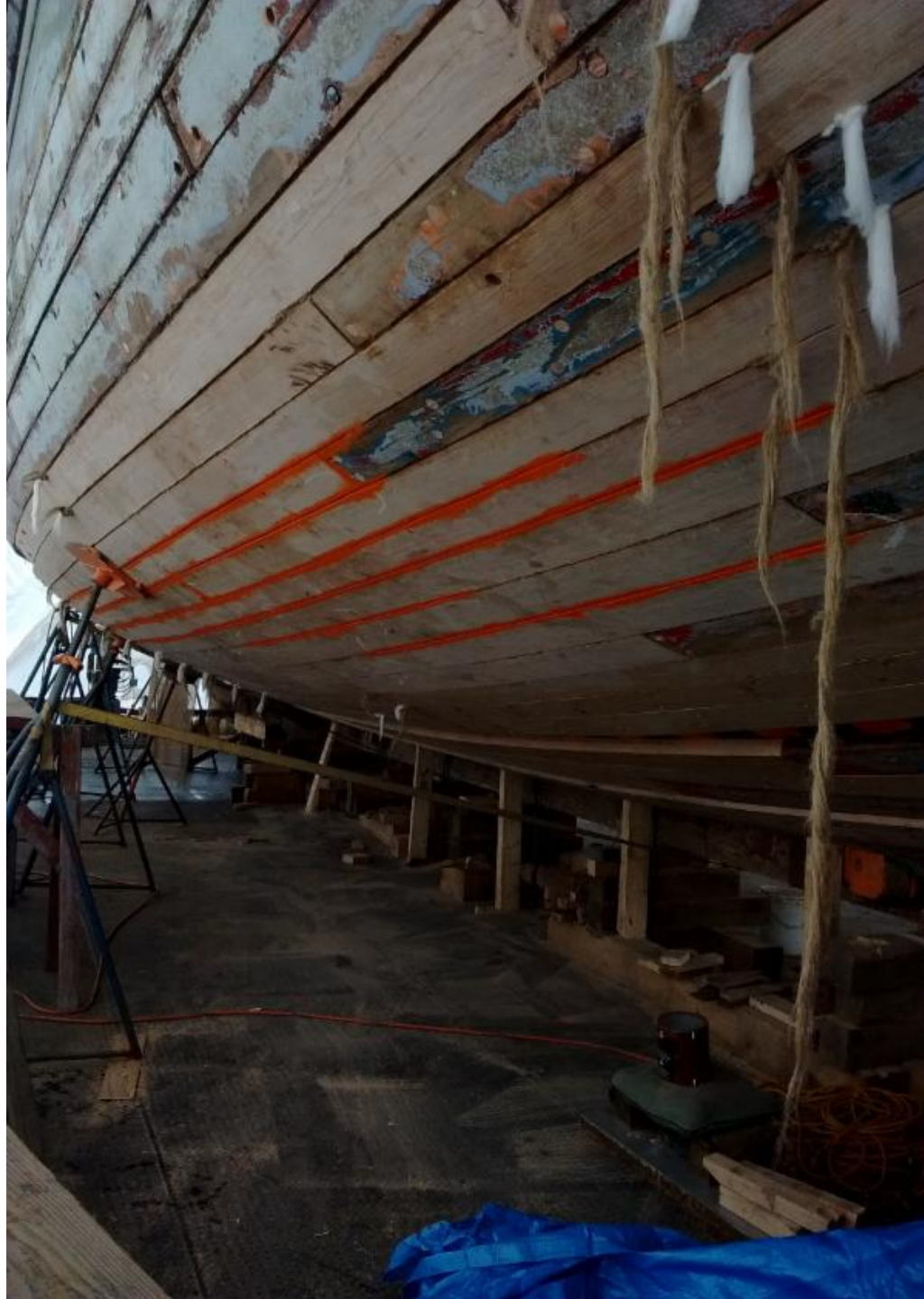
Already, one shudder plank has gone in at the lower section. A shudder plank is one where all sides touch another plank. The caulking of the port side is speeding right along. Caulking is the process of sealing the seams between planks with cotton and oakum.

Inside, the centerboard trunk moved to a new stage. The oak 6"x6" planks have all been installed, and the first of the pine 4 ½" x 12" planks is now in place. The inside of the trunk so far was painted. Ceiling planks and stringers continue stretch between the main cabin and the focsle. Sole supports are beginning to be rebuilt on the port side in the focsle and the hold.





View of the port side ceiling and stringers from the main cabin looking forward.





Oakum and a caulking iron.



Two of the trunk planks are being shaped.





Working to fill in the starboard hull.



Follow the restoration live on Instagram!

What's Next?

The port side seams will start to be filled in through a process called paying. More centerboard planks, ceiling planks and hull planks will be installed.

Bilge weights will go back in!

Visiting the Sloop

Sunday Cleanup Days

You can contribute to the sloop restoration every Sunday! Captain Aleythea is asking for your help in cleaning up the shop on Sundays after each work week. This will allow our crew to focus all of their attention on getting Clearwater back on the River by the spring.

Put the Bilge Weights back onboard! May 7 & 8 from 9:00-3:00

In October 2015 we asked for help moving bilge weights from off of the

sloop so we could start working on her hull. Now, we need your help putting them all back on! No need to register, please just show up with work gloves. We'll provide coffee, water and a light snack.

A message from Clearewater's Captain:

We are getting to the stage in the restoration where we're preparing to sprint to the finish line, and we could use your help with some very specific tasks!

These tasks are all super important to getting Clearwater back in the water. They are also tasks that can be done a little bit at a time, and that little bit will allow our crew to keep working on the other important pieces of this restoration puzzle.

These tasks include (but are not limited to) hawsing (horsing) seams, paying seams, spinning oakum, and painting. Don't speak 'boat'? That's ok! We'll show you everything you need to know.

If you have a few hours to spare, and want to do something meaningful with them, come on down to the boat and lend a hand. Just arrive and check in with the captain or mate and we will take care of keeping you busy.

We work from 8 to 5, Monday through Friday and most Saturdays, but not all. If Saturday is your day of choice, send an email to mate@clearwater.org to see our schedule. Sunday is our day to focus on clean up, and extra hands are always helpful there as well.

Thank you for all your support,
Aleythea
Captain, Sloop Clearwater

Thank You!



With your help we have managed to fill in an impressive number of planks.

Please make a contribution to our generosity campaign to help Float the Boat. Generosity has no fees associated with your donation, so your full contribution will help support the sloop restoration!

<https://www.generosity.com/fundraising/splash-the-sloop>

Thank you to all who have helped us get this far!

We couldn't do it without you!

Contribute to Clearwater's restoration by [becoming a member](#), [volunteering](#), or [helping us fund the project](#)!

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